

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION OF:

CLARENCE Y.F. CHOW,
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ADRIAN JAMES CORLESS

SERIAL NO. 10/003,160

FILED: OCTOBER 31, 2001

FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DISTRIBUTING WATER IN AN
ARRAY OF FUEL CELL STACKS

GROUP ART UNIT: 1745

EXAMINER: S. Kalafut

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RESPONSE

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Notice of Allowability dated February 17, 2004, and is being submitted together with the issue fee payment for the present application.

REMARKS

Item (1) of the Notice of Allowability stated, "This communication is responsive to 11/30/2003." During a telephone conversation between the undersigned and Examiner Kalafut on May 5, 2004, the Examiner indicated that the "11/30/2003" date was a typographical error, and that a date of --11/10/04-- should have been entered, which the Examiner indicated was the date the USPTO received the applicants' November 6, 2003 submissions. Examiner Kalafut also indicated that no further submissions were entered into the USPTO's file for the present application between the applicants' November 6, 2003 submissions and issuance of the Notice of Allowability on February 17, 2004.

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In view of the foregoing remarks, applicants request entry of the present Response and its clarifying remarks. The Examiner is invited to telephone the applicant's undersigned attorney at 312.775.8123 if any unresolved matters remain.

Please charge any additional fees incurred in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,



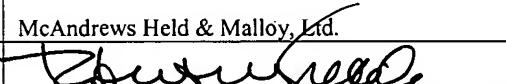
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		Group Art Unit	1745	
		Examiner Name	S. Kalafut	
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